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In re Application of SRINIVAS GUTTA ET AL.

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Serial No. 10/014,180

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Examiner WONG, LESLIE

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EVALUATING THE CLOSENESS OF ITEMS IN A RECOMMENDER OF SUCH ITEMS

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

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